

CITY OF BRISBANE

Agenda Report

TO: City Council via City Manager

FROM: Parks & Recreation Director

SUBJECT: Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for Children and Youth Resolution

DATE: Meeting of February 17, 2009

CITY COUNCIL GOALS:

- To provide for effective and efficient delivery of City services.
- To promote intergovernmental opportunities that enhance services...to city residents.
- To encourage community involvement and participation.
- To preserve the unique current character of Brisbane.

PURPOSE

To support the Peninsula Partnership's Bill of Rights for Children and Youth.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council adopt the attached resolution (Attachment A) adopting the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for Children and Youth (Attachment 1).

BACKGROUND

At the January 5, 2009 meeting, City Council heard from representatives of the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council regarding their interest in City Council supporting their Bill of Rights for children and youth. This document was created in conjunction with San Mateo County's Youth Commission. City Council directed staff to meet with PPLC and discuss the necessary details and to have Brisbane's Youth Advisory Committee review as well.

City Manager Clay Holstine and I met with PPLC's Director Larry Best, Youth and Family Services CEO Michael Garb, and County Youth Commissioner James

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BACKGROUND (CONT)

Pollack on January 27 to do discuss the document and the process. We agreed that the document was worthy of City Council consideration.

The Bill of Rights was forwarded to the Youth Advisory Committee for their consideration at their February 3, 2009 meeting. They unanimously endorsed recommending its adoption to City Council.

DISCUSSION

If adopted by City Council, the Bill of Rights will be presented in the Brisbane Star, placed on the Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commission's upcoming agenda and posted at the Teen Center.

FISCAL IMPACT

None expected.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS

- Heightened community awareness of youth and teen rights.
- Give elected and appointed officials and City staff additional direction in planning for the activities of Brisbane youth.

ATTACHMENTS:

A – RESOLUTION 2009-05

1 – BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF SAN MATEO
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Parks & Recreation Director



City Manager

RESOLUTION 2009-05

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE
ADOPTING THE PENINSULA PARTNERSHIP LEADERSHIP COUNCIL BILL
OF RIGHTS FOR THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF SAN MATEO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council, which is made up of leaders from multiple disciplines throughout San Mateo County, has a mission to formulate policies that effectively address the needs and foster the healthy development of children, youth and families in San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council believes that all children and youth have rights to live in a just, moral, and supportive society; all children and youth have the same rights, regardless of their culture, race, gender or gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, or disability; and all children and youth have the right to a better world than the one they inherited; and

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council has drafted the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County to draw attention of all County and local agencies, parents, guardians, and private enterprises throughout the county and to provide them guidance in their decision making in order to foster the needs and healthy development of all children, youth, and families in the County, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brisbane desires that every child and youth should have the opportunities set forth in the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Brisbane that the City Council hereby adopts the Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County (Exhibit 1) as a guideline for all City agencies, parents, guardians, communities, and private enterprises.

Sepi Richardson, Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution 2009-05 was duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the Brisbane City Council on February 17, 2009 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

Sheri Marie Spediacci
City Clerk

ATTACHMENT 1

Peninsula Partnership Leadership Council Bill of Rights for the Children and Youth of San Mateo County

Be it Resolved, we resolve to invest in all children and youth so that:

- They have a healthy mind, body, and spirit that enable them to maximize their potential.
- They develop a healthy attachment to a parent, guardian, or caregiver and an ongoing relationship with a caring and supportive adult.
- Their essential needs are met—nutritious food, shelter, clothing, health care, and accessible transportation.
- They have a safe and healthy environment, including homes, schools, neighborhoods, and communities.
- They have access to a 21st century education that promotes success in life, in future careers and a love of life-long learning.
- They have training in life-skills that will prepare them to live independently, be self-sufficient, and contribute to their community.
- They have employment opportunities with protections from unfair labor practices.
- They have freedom from mistreatment, abuse and neglect.
- They have a voice in matters that affect them.
- They have a sense of hope for their future.